

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1772 - HB 1893**

February 1, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires county absentee ballot counting boards to tabulate results of early and absentee voting at the time the polls are required to close. Requires the boards to publicly announce results immediately upon completion of the tabulation, regardless of whether voters are still waiting in line at the polls.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-6-304(c) and (e), county absentee ballot counting boards are not authorized to total votes for any candidate until after all polls in the county are closed.
- The proposed legislation requires the boards to begin tabulation at the time the polls are required to close pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-3-201, regardless of whether voters are still in line at the polls.
- The proposed legislation alters only the timing of absentee voting tabulation, not the methodology or number of members required for individual county absentee ballot counting boards.
- No significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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